

EDUCATIONAL EXAMINERS BOARD[282]**Notice of Intended Action**

Twenty-five interested persons, a governmental subdivision, an agency or association of 25 or more persons may demand an oral presentation hereon as provided in Iowa Code section 17A.4(1)“b.”

Notice is also given to the public that the Administrative Rules Review Committee may, on its own motion or on written request by any individual or group, review this proposed action under section 17A.8(6) at a regular or special meeting where the public or interested persons may be heard.

Pursuant to the authority of Iowa Code section 272.2(1)“a,” the Board of Educational Examiners hereby gives Notice of Intended Action to amend Chapter 22, “Authorizations,” Iowa Administrative Code.

The Board of Educational Examiners has adopted rules for a preliminary native language teaching authorization, which is valid for five years while candidates complete basic pedagogy courses. After that time, candidates must convert the preliminary native language teaching authorization to a native language teaching authorization, which is established in proposed rule 282—22.6(272). The authorization would also be available to fully licensed teachers who are native speakers of a foreign language.

Any interested person may make written comments or suggestions on the proposed amendments before 4 p.m. on Friday, September 26, 2014. Written comments and suggestions should be addressed to Kim Cunningham, Board Secretary, Board of Educational Examiners, at the address below, or sent by e-mail to kim.cunningham@iowa.gov, or by fax to (515)281-7669.

Any interested party or persons may present their views either orally or in writing at the public hearing that will be held Wednesday, September 24, 2014, at 1 p.m. in the State Board Room, Second Floor, Grimes State Office Building, East 14th Street and Grand Avenue, Des Moines, Iowa.

At the hearing, persons will be asked to give their names and addresses for the record and to confine their remarks to the subject of the proposed amendments. Persons who wish to make oral presentations at the public hearing may contact the Executive Director, Board of Educational Examiners, Grimes State Office Building, East 14th Street and Grand Avenue, Des Moines, Iowa 50319-0147, or at (515)281-5849, prior to the date of the public hearing.

Any person who intends to attend the public hearing and requires special accommodations for specific needs, such as a sign language interpreter, should contact the office of the Executive Director at (515)281-5849.

These amendments are subject to waiver pursuant to 282—Chapter 6.

After analysis and review of this rule making, there is no anticipated impact on jobs.

These amendments are intended to implement Iowa Code section 272.2(1)“a.”

The following amendments are proposed.

ITEM 1. Renumber rules **282—22.6(272)** and **282—22.7(272)** as **282—22.7(272)** and **282—22.8(272)**.

ITEM 2. Adopt the following **new** rule 282—22.6(272):

282—22.6(272) Native language teaching authorization.

22.6(1) Authorization. The native language teaching authorization allows an individual to teach the individual’s native language as a foreign language in grades K-8 or grades 5-12.

22.6(2) Application process. Any person interested in the native language teaching authorization shall submit an application to the board of educational examiners for an evaluation. Application materials are available from the office of the board of educational examiners online at <http://www.boee.iowa.gov/>.

22.6(3) Requirements. Applicants must:

a. Hold a preliminary native language teaching authorization and meet the conversion requirements for the native language teaching authorization, or

b. Hold an Iowa teaching license and provide verification of successfully passing the Iowa-mandated assessment(s) by meeting the minimum score set by the Iowa department of education. The cut score may not be waived by the board. Applicants who hold an Iowa teaching license must also obtain a recommendation from a school district administrator verifying that the school district wishes to hire the applicant. Before the applicant is hired, the school district administrator must verify that a diligent search was completed to hire a fully licensed teacher with the proper endorsement for the position.

22.6(4) *Validity.* This authorization is valid for five years. No Class B licenses may be issued to an applicant holding the native language teaching authorization unless a teaching license is additionally obtained. No additional endorsement areas may be added to the native language teaching authorization.

22.6(5) *Renewal.*

a. Applicants must meet the renewal requirements set forth in rule 282—20.3(272) and 282—subrule 20.5(2).

b. A one-year extension may be issued if all requirements for the renewal of the native language teaching authorization have not been met. This one-year extension is not renewable.

22.6(6) *Revocation and suspension.* Criteria of professional practice and rules of the board of educational examiners shall be applicable to the holders of the native language teaching authorization. If a school district hires an applicant without the proper licensure or endorsement, a complaint may be filed.